

considered thereof, they shall forthwith return their inquisition; under their hands and seals, and thereupon the said court may and shall proceed to judgment, as upon inquisitions of that kind returned by the sheriff.

CHAPTER 47.

* 1793, ch. 45. A SUPPLEMENT to the ACT,* entitled, An act for the better regulation of Apprentices.

See notes to the original act, ante page 294.

Two justices may bind out any child, &c.

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That at any time, when the orphans court of a county be not in session, any two justices of the peace of such county shall and they are hereby empowered to bind out as an apprentice any child which the said court may lawfully bind out, subject to the terms, regulations and restrictions prescribed by the act to which this is a supplement; provided always, that the contract of apprenticeship so made shall be approved and recorded agreeably to the sixth section of the said law.

Their allowance.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted, That* the said two justices shall each have one quarter of a dollar for every contract of apprenticeship made before them as aforesaid, to be paid by the master.

CHAPTER 52.

AN ACT relating to Public Roads in this state and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned.

This act was limited to the counties mentioned therein, and its provisions will be found under the 'Public Local Law,' and distributed to the appropriate counties.

CHAPTER 53.

AN ACT for the establishment and regulation of the Levy Courts in the several counties of this state.

Supplements and other acts of a general character are 1797, ch. 43; 1798, ch. 34; 1800, ch. 1, 85; 1801, ch. 42, 62, 63, 74; 1802, ch. 81; 1804, ch. 73; 1805, ch. 97; 1806, ch. 81; 1807, ch. 28, 129; 1809, ch. 138, 169; 1812, ch. 191; 1813, ch. 170; 1815, ch. 214; 1817, ch. 78; 1818, ch. 89; 1819, ch. 135; 1822, ch. 143; 1823, ch. 25, 62, 120; 1824, ch. 9, 100, 140; 1825, ch. 161; 1826, ch. 128, 227; 1828, ch. 52; 1829, ch. 238; 1830, ch. 86; 1831, ch. 281, 291; 1832, ch. 84, 316; 1833, ch. 88; 1834, ch. 169, 253; 1835, 201, 342, 362.

This law has lost much of its general character. Very many acts have passed substituting 'Commissioners,' to be elected by the people of the several counties, and transferring to them the jurisdiction conferred on the levy courts. A list of the counties, which have commissioners thus substituted, cannot be here noted, inasmuch as numerous laws were passed on this subject, at the last session, which have not yet been published. They will, (under the presumption that they will be published before this work is completed,) be distributed to the counties to which they appropriately refer, under the subdivision of 'Public Local Law.' The profession are referred to the Index, word 'Levy Court,' where the numerous duties of this court will be found digested.